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1. On 6 February 1952, four AA guns with funnel-shaped muzzles were parked in the yard of the Albrecht Kaserne in Korneuburg (P 49/S 30). Six field grade officers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and jeep and truck both driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets, were seen at the installation. Sedan and truck stood in front of the guarded entrance to the Soviet office and garage on Hovengasse. Trucks both driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets, moved into the installation. Sixteen AA guns of about 80 mm and with muzzle brakes were noticed in the compound along the road to Disenberg. About 40 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets practiced with four of these AA guns. Sacks were unloaded from a truck of the series in front of Building No 2, Bahnhofplatz, which was previously reported to house an officers' mess. Six sailors and eight other soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets stood at the entrance to the building. the building housed a ration distribution point.

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2. On 1 February, the wire fences surrounding the Prinz Eugen Kaserne in Stockerau (O 49/S 21) had been replaced by walls. About 70 soldiers practiced with small arms in the yard. No AA guns were noticed. Trucks both driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets were identified in the billeting area. New Soviet quarters were apparently established on the premises of a former factory, situated on the west side of Schaumannsgasse, 400 meters south of the Prinz Eugen Kaserne. No sentries were seen there. A telephone line was strung from the new quarters to the Prinz Eugen Kaserne. At the new quarters there were only three trucks with van-like bodies parked in the yard. The wire fence surrounding the Artillerie Kaserne had also been replaced by a wall. Troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets practiced driving in Stockerau with trucks

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* Comment. On 6 and 5 February 1952, components of the 23 AAA Div were still stationed in Korneuburg and Stockerau.

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